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Dear Mrs. Koch,

Thank you for your letter and the attachment.

I find it very disturbing, as you do!

However, while I feel it may logically invite legal action of your part, I think you should proceed with caution. Get good legal advice!

There are many Government regulations which are difficult to accept, but if such regulations exist, and are legally justified --obnoxious as they may be personally --you might spend a lot of time, effort and expense to no avail.

The Sierra Club has, I believe, taken the strongest stand it can on Mineral King. As I am advised, the procedures by which the Disney people gained the rights to develop Mineral King were according to law. I do feel that the Sierra Club was not properly advised of the impending situation. Perhaps we should have been more alert. We have had so many complex internal problems in recent years, as well as many external conservation battles that we could not keep an eye on everything. I regret Mineral King; I regret the need for a road across Sequoia Nat. Park. I just don't know what we can do now. I will keep trying!!

cordially

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